

BABY ARIZONA



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**If you are pregnant or know someone who is pregnant but can't afford to see a doctor, we can help you to get the care.**

***[Click Here for more information.](#)***

**If you are a physician interested in becoming a participating Baby Arizona provider.**

***[Click Here for more information.](#)***

**If a woman is pregnant she needs doctor's care.**

# WHAT IS BABY ARIZONA? How do I apply for Baby Arizona?

Baby Arizona is a simple, faster way for pregnant women to apply for AHCCCS medical coverage under the federal S.O.B.R.A. program.

## Who should apply for Baby Arizona?

### Pregnant women who have:

No insurance

Low income

### And, pregnant women who are:

US citizens

Lawful permanent residents

Qualified under certain immigrant categories



In the event you do not qualify, a reasonable payment plan may be arranged with the doctor's office for the services you have received and to continue care.

### Call the Arizona Department of Health Services Pregnancy & Breast Feeding Hotline 1-800-833-4642

- You will be given names of doctors who participate in the Baby Arizona Program
- Choose one of the doctors
- Make an appointment for a prenatal (pregnancy) visit
- At your first visit, the office staff will assist you in completing an application for AHCCCS medical coverage
- You will be asked to take information with you to your first visit to show you are eligible for the Baby Arizona program
- It takes 20 working days from the time your application is sent in to find out if you are eligible.
- You can receive care while you are waiting to find out if you are eligible.

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OB/GYN providers play an important role in making the Baby Arizona a success. Physicians' offices participate in Baby Arizona by offering a streamlined application process for AHCCCS coverage. This means, provider office staff assists pregnant women to apply for medical coverage through AHCCCS during the first prenatal visit. These women are able to receive care early in their pregnancies and are more likely to qualify.

**The Arizona Medical Association (ARMA) supports the Baby Arizona Program and developed the participating provider agreement form.** Prior to participating in Baby Arizona, the medical provider signs the Baby Arizona Participating Provider agreement.

**[Click here for Baby AZ Participating Provider agreement.](#)**

Staff training will be initiated when AHCCCS receives the Baby Arizona Participating Provider agreement. Provider must send members of their office staff to the Baby Arizona training session:

- Prior to implementing the Baby Arizona process in their offices.
- When new staff are involved in the Baby Arizona process, and
- When other staff wishes to be trained.

## How does Baby Arizona Work?

- The provider will send office staff (s) to a training session held by Department of Economic Security (DES).
- Physicians name, practice address and phone number may be given to a potential patient by the ADHS Pregnancy Information Hotline and other participating referral system.
- When contacted by a referred patient or hotline, the office will schedule an appointment and assist in the S.O.B.R.A eligibility process.
- The office will perform the same clinical services for a referred patient on the initial visit that the office provides for patients referred from other sources.
- If a patient is subsequently determined not to be S.O.B.R.A eligible, the office will continue to render care upon reasonable payment schedule developed between the office and the patient.
- If a patient determined eligible, opts to receive care from another provider, the office will transfer her records to that provider within ten working days of receiving release from the patient.
- The signed form should be sent to the Maternal Child Health Coordinator at 701 East Jefferson, MD 6700; Phoenix AZ 85034 or faxed at 602 417 4162
- The provider may withdraw from participating from this program at any time upon written notice to the Maternal Child Health Coordinator at 701 East Jefferson, MD 6700; Phoenix AZ 85034 or faxed at 602 417 4162

**The participating providers may request training for new staff at any time by contacting the Maternal Child Health Coordinator at the following address: 701 East Jefferson, MD 6700; Phoenix Az 85034 or faxed at 602 417 4162.**

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**BABY ARIZONA PARTICIPATING PROVIDER AGREEMENT**

I wish to participate in the Baby Arizona program and will send  
\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
of my staff to a training session to be held in my area  
by Department of Economic Security staff.

I understand that I may withdraw my practice from this program at any time upon written notice to AHCCCS, 701 E. Jefferson, MD 6700, Phoenix AZ, 85034, attention: Maternal Child Health Coordinator.

I further understand that by practicing in the program I agree to the following:

- My name, practice address, and phone number may be given to a potential patient by the ADHS Pregnancy Information Hotline and other participating referral system.
- When contacted by a referred patient or the hotline, my office will schedule an appointment to assist in the S.O.B.R.A. eligibility process pursuant to the training we have received.
- My office will perform the same clinical services for a referred patient on the initial visit that we provide patients referred from other sources.
- If a patient is subsequently determined not to be S.O.B.R.A. eligible, we will continue her care based upon a reasonable payment schedule developed between my office and the patient.
- If a patient determined eligible is assigned to another provider or opts to receive care from another provider, we will transfer her records to that provider within ten (10) working days of receiving a signed release from the patient.

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Physician/Designee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Practice Name (if different)